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Letter of Support: TIGER Grant

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To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is in support of the City of Hoboken's TIGER grant application to revitalize, rehabilitate, and resurface Washington Street in Hoboken, New Jersey. As the Director of Rebuild by Design, it is clear that the TIGER grant would strongly complement the federal investment of 230 million for the Rebuild by Design project *Resist, Delay, Store, Discharge: A Comprehensive Strategy for Hoboken*.

The City of Hoboken is susceptible to both flash floods and storm surges; unlike other areas of the state, the City of Hoboken cannot mitigate from flood disaster by elevating structures. *Resist, Delay, Store, Discharge* provides the comprehensive strategy that is so greatly needed for this densely populated urban area on the Hudson River in northern New Jersey. This strategy works from the understanding that there is a need to work with, rather than against the natural flow of water, and prioritizes assets accordingly through a plan of pumping stations, green belts, water storage facilities, and landscaping features.

Funding from the TIGER grant would support Hoboken's comprehensive work in protecting its residents.

Sincerely,



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